



## Student/Resident Experiences And Rotations in Community Health (SEARCH) Program Summary

<b>SEARCH Program</b>	Community Health Center Association of Connecticut
<b>Organization Type</b>	State Primary Care Association
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<b>Project Service Focus</b>	Urban/Central City, Rural
<b>Length of Rotation</b>	Students 6 week summer; Residents 50 days
<b>Disciplines eligible for rotation</b>	Family Medicine, Internal Medicine, Pediatrics, Obstetrics/Gynecology, Dental Medicine, Physician Assistant, Advanced Practice Nursing, Certified Nurse Midwifery, Clinical Social Work, and Marriage and Family Therapy.
<b>Project Infrastructure Focus</b>	Training
<b>Stipend/Living Cost</b>	\$3,000 per student
<b>General Description of Your Program</b>	CHCACT will implement a SEARCH program in Connecticut that places a total of 23 students and 16 residents at the thirteen (13) FQHCs in the state over the three year program period. Students and Residents for the SEARCH program will be selected via application for the limited number of slots each year. Preceptors and Mentors will receive training and support to perform their critical roles in the CT SEARCH program. Finally, CHCACT will bring together the SEARCH Partner Network to provide assistance and guidance in implementing a successful SEARCH program. The Network will include representatives from the academic partners in CT, the CT Primary Care Office, State Office of Rural Health and the Connecticut Area Health Education Center.
<b>Activities undertaken by Students/Residents in Program</b>	Students/Residents will be matched with FQHCs that have successfully completed a Community Assessment Tool to ensure their appropriateness as placement sites. Further, they will be matched with preceptors and mentors who will be identified,

	<p>trained and supported to provide strong and consistent guidance to students and residents. Student interns will choose from among three clinical project areas selected annually that align with academic needs of the student, community needs of the FQHC and quality reporting guidelines of HRSA. Residents will participate in clinical rotations led by a multidisciplinary team of preceptors.</p> <p>At the State level, students and residents will be supported by the SEARCH Partner Network. The Network will meet monthly to address and advise CHCACT on key implementation issues such as preceptor and mentor selection, student and resident selection, clinical training focus for placements, expanding the network to other academic and community partners, and project evaluation.</p>
<b>List of Sites Students can/will be rotating through</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Charter Oak Health Center</li> <li>- Community Health Center</li> <li>- Community Health Services</li> <li>- Community Health &amp; Wellness Center of Greater Torrington</li> <li>- East Hartford Community Healthcare</li> <li>- Fair Haven Community Health Center</li> <li>- Generations Family Health Center</li> <li>- Cornell Scott Hill Health Center</li> <li>- Norwalk Community Health Center</li> <li>- Optimus Health Care</li> <li>- StayWell Health Center</li> <li>- Southwest Community Health Center</li> <li>- United Community and Family Services</li> </ul>